



Salem Lutheran Church

OUTREACH

November 2019

Salem's Mission and Vision

We are God forgiven and mission driven.

As God's people...we desire to be that Lake Mills place where belonging, healing, growing, serving and believing are open to all, regardless of background, experience or aptitude. Central to this is that we are a forgiving, mission-driven community, which means we all want to have an impact, shaped by the love of Christ to serve all others.

We invite you to join us for our weekly Worship Services

Sunday:

8:30am Traditional Worship Service

9:30am Coffee and Fellowship– Fellowship Hall

10:30am Contemporary Service

Saturday:

5:30pm Casual Worship

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A Message from Pastor Melinda McCluskey...

Question: What are the stories that every student should know about Jesus' life and parables from the Gospel of Luke?

Luke 1:26-38 Announcing a Baby- The Birth of Jesus Foretold

Luke 1:39-55 Mary's Song -Mary Visits Elizabeth; Mary's Song of Praise

Luke 2:1-20 A Tiny Baby is Born- The Birth of Jesus

Luke 2:22-40 Waiting for Jesus- Jesus is Presented in the Temple

Luke 2:41-52 Have you seen Jesus?- The Boy Jesus in the Temple

Luke 3:15-17, 21-22 Jesus is Baptized- The Proclamation of John the Baptist; The Baptism of Jesus

Luke 4:1-13 A Tempting Time -The Temptation of Jesus

Luke 5:1-11 We'll Catch People- Jesus Calls the First Disciples

Luke 9:28-36 Mountaintop Visitors- The Transfiguration

Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32 A Son's Return- The Parable of the Prodigal and His Brother

Luke 16:19-31 The Rich Man and Lazarus- The Richman and Lazarus

Luke 17:11-19 One Gave Thanks- Jesus Cleanses the Ten Lepers

Luke 18:1-8 Try, Try Again- The Parable of the Widow and the Unjust Judge

Luke 18:9-14 Boastful Prayer and Humble Prayer- The Parable of the Pharisee and the Tax Collector

Luke 19:1-10 A Surprise Special Guest- Jesus and Zacchaeus

Luke 20:27-38 In God's Love We Are Alive- The Question About the Resurrection

Luke 19:28-40 Hosanna!- Jesus' Triumphal Entry into Jerusalem

Luke 22:14-23 Bread and Wine with Jesus- The institution of the Lord's Supper

Luke 22:39-62 Deserted by All- Jesus Prays on the Mount of Olives

Luke 23:1-25 Pilate's Questions- Jesus Before Pilate; Jesus Before Herod;

Jesus Sentenced to Death

Luke 23:26-56 When Jesus Died- The Crucifixion of Jesus

Luke 24:1-12 Easter Morning Good News- The Resurrection of Jesus

Luke 24:13-35 On the Road to Emmaus- The Road to Emmaus

Luke 24:36b-48 Not a Ghost- Jesus Appears to His Disciples

November 2019, LSI Bulletin/Newsletter Article and Story

National Adoption Month

November is National Adoption Month, a time to honor families who have opened their hearts and homes to children in need. For LSI, it is a time to celebrate the families we support through Foster Care and Adoption, and to raise awareness for the hundreds of Iowa children in need of a safe, loving home.

In 30 counties across western Iowa, LSI Foster Care and Adoption recruits, licenses, and supports foster and adoptive families to ensure every Iowa child grows up in a safe, stable environment. But more work needs to be done. According to the most recent federal data, more than 100,000 children in the U.S. are waiting to be adopted from foster care, and thousands of teens age out of foster care every year without a permanent family.

To learn more about supporting Iowa children in foster care, visit LSIowa.org/ Foster, or contact Deb Whitford, LSI director of philanthropy and church relations, at Deborah.Whitford@LSIowa.org or 563.676.2065.

Our Mission: Lutheran Services in Iowa responds to the love of Jesus Christ through compassionate service. LSI is an affiliated social ministry partner of the Iowa congregations of the ELCA (Evangelical Lutheran Church in America) and a member of LSA (Lutheran Services in America). We proudly serve people of all ages, abilities, religions, sexes, gender identities, national origins, ethnicities, races, and sexual orientations. Learn more at www.LSIowa.org and www.facebook.com/LSI.iowa.

Faith Formation Upcoming Events

November:

3rd– 4 year olds—2nd graders sing at 10:30 service

Play and Pray

24th– Ice Skating Event

December:

1st– No Faith Formation

4th– Christmas program practice at 2:30pm

8th– Christmas program “A Capital Christmas” at the 10:30 service followed by treats in the fellowship hall

Play and Pray

15th– Christmas movie and popcorn

22nd and 29th– No Faith Formation

Save the Date! January 26th– Family Game Day

Christmas Program Details

Youth will have a rehearsal for their Christmas Program on Wednesday, December 4th at 2:30pm

The Salem youth will present their program, A Capital Christmas, on Sunday, December 8th at 10:30am. We hope that you can join us to hear the Christmas story, followed by treats in the fellowship hall.

Hanging of the Greens will be Saturday, November 30th at 9:00am.

Everyone is welcome to help decorate the narthex, sanctuary and chapel for the Christmas and Advent season. You may bring treats to share.

The **Tapestry Singers Advent Concert** will be held Sunday, December 8th at 3:00pm in the sanctuary. Everyone is welcome.

The **Marine Corps Toys for Tots** collection box will be outside the church office. Unwrapped gifts may be placed in the box. Monetary donations are also welcome.

The **Good Samaritan/Good Gifts Barnyard** tree will be in the church entrance, near the elevator, this year. You are invited to take a tag from the tree and purchase a barnyard animal. Please be sure to specify which barnyard animal you purchased on the memo line of your check.

The **Angel Tree** was started in 2000 by the Miriam Circle members. A long-time circle member had passed away and the Angel Tree was dedicated to her memory. People were able to purchase angels and the narthex tree was decorated with these angels each year. The names of all the angels was also recorded in a special book and displayed next to the tree. Over 500 angels have been purchased throughout the years.

If you have purchased an angel in the past, you can pick up an angel and hang it on the memory tree, or take it home to enjoy on your own tree. All previously dedicated angels are recorded in the memory book.

There is no charge to dedicate an angel. You can pick up an angel in the church office or by the tree and hang it on the tree yourself any time you wish. A book will be on the table where you can write the name of your loved one and note who is dedicating the angel.

Hospice of North Iowa Tree Lighting Service will be held Monday, December 2nd at 6:00pm in the fellowship hall. With your gift to Hospice, a light will be placed on the Tree of Life. Every light on the Tree of Life celebrates and honors our loved ones and friends in a very special way. Your contribution will help extend hospice care to others so they can live the last months of their lives in dignity, often in their own homes.

Food Scavenger Hunt is November 6th. The Salem/One in Christ Lutheran parish confirmation class will be conducting their annual Food Scavenger Hunt for the local food bank, on Wednesday, November 6th from 6:15-7:30pm. Your donations of non-perishable items is appreciated. Since the kids want to get to as many households as possible in this time, it is helpful if you have something prepared ahead of time. In the event that your house is missed, you may make donations at the church office. Thank you!

Summer Adventure Activity Meeting

For post-confirmation youth in grades 8-12 and their parents

Wednesday, November 6th at 8:15pm following the food scavenger hunt

Salem Thanksgiving Eve Service

Wednesday, November 27th at 7:15pm in the Sanctuary

Salem Clothes Closet is open Mondays from 1:00-3:00pm. Donations of new socks and underwear are needed. Thank you for your help!

2019 OPERATION CLOTHES FOR KIDS!

10th Annual

Let's clothe OUR children.

Donations will be distributed throughout the Lake Mills Community School District to children ages birth to 18.

Pick a Christmas Tag (with a child's needs/sizes on it) from one of the following tree locations:

Salem Lutheran Church, Winnebago Lutheran Church, Word of Faith Dominion Church, Asbury United Methodist Church, Emmons Lutheran Church, Farmers Trust and Savings Bank of Lake Mills, or Manufacturer's Bank and Trust of Lake Mills.

Tags will be available for pick up starting Saturday, November 23th.

Just in time for all those Black Friday deals! Purchase the items on the child's tag, wrap in one box, attach the original tag to the gift, and deliver/return to one of the listed locations by

4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, December 18.

Feel free to join together in order to share the cost of a tag(s).

Cash donations are accepted at the banks or

send to the LMCS Nurse's Office, 102 S 4th Avenue E, Lake Mills, IA 50450

Lake Mills Community Blood Drive

Tuesday, November 12th from 1:00-6:00pm

Salem Lutheran Church fellowship hall

To make an appointment, contact Life Serve at 800-287-4903 or visit www.lifeservebloodcenter.org

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
<h2>Salem Lutheran Church</h2> <h3>November 2019</h3>			
<p>3 All Saints Sunday</p> <p>8:30 am Worship Service 9:30 am Coffee Fellowship 9:35 am Faith Formation; Play & Pray 10:30 am Contemporary Service-4 year old-2nd Sing 2:00 pm Tapestry Singers</p>	<p>4</p> <p>1:00 pm Clothes Closet Open 2:00 pm Food Shelf Open 3:15 pm Cadette/Sr. Scouts</p>	<p>5</p> <p>9:30 am Miriam Circle 1:00 pm Staff Meeting 3:15 pm Daisy Scouts 5:30 pm Altar Guild 5:30 pm Life & Growth</p>	<p>6</p> <p>2:15 pm Junior Scouts 6:15 pm Salem & OIC Drive 8:15 pm Youth/Parent Adventure M</p>
<p>10</p> <p>8:30 am Worship Service 9:30 am Coffee Fellowship 9:35 am Faith Formation 10:30 am Contemporary Service 2:00 pm Tapestry Singers</p>	<p>11</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>Veteran's Day... Honoring all who served</p> </div> <p>1:00 pm Clothes Closet Open 1:00 pm Mission Quilters 2:00 pm Food Shelf Open 5:30 pm Council</p>	<p>12</p> <p>10:00 am Care Givers Support Group 10:00 am LMAMA 1:00 pm Bloodmobile 1:00 pm Staff Meeting</p>	<p>13</p> <p>5:00 pm Confirmation</p>
<p>17</p> <p>8:30 am Worship Service 9:30 am Coffee Fellowship 9:35 am Faith Formation 10:30 am Contemporary Service 2:00 pm Tapestry Singers</p>	<p>18</p> <p>1:00 pm Clothes Closet Open 2:00 pm Food Shelf Open 6:00 pm Quilt Club</p>	<p>19</p> <p>1:00 pm Staff Meeting 3:15 pm Daisy Scouts</p>	<p>20</p> <p>2:15 pm Junior Scouts 5:00 pm Confirmation</p>
<p>24 Christ the King Sunday</p> <p>8:30 am Worship Service 9:30 am Coffee Fellowship/Blue Sheet Discussion 9:30 am Congregational Meeting 9:35 am Faith Formation 10:30 am Contemporary Service 2:00 pm Sunday FunDay - Ice Skating 2:00 pm Tapestry Singers</p>	<p>25</p> <p>1:00 pm Clothes Closet Open 1:00 pm Mission Quilters 2:00 pm Food Shelf Open 3:15 pm Cadette/Sr. Scouts</p>	<p>26</p> <p>1:00 pm Staff Meeting</p>	<p>27</p> <p>1:45 pm Mills Harbour communion 2:30 pm Care Center ion 5:00 pm No Confirmation 7:15 pm Thanksgiving vice</p>

y	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2 5:30 pm Worship
Focus Meeting	7	8 3:15 pm Brownie Scouts	9 5:30 pm Worship
Class	14	15	16 5:30 pm Worship
Class	21 2:00 pm WELCA 5:45 pm Worship & Music Board	22 3:15 pm Brownie Scouts	23 5:30 pm Worship
Confirmation Class Eve S	28 OFFICES CLOSED 	29 OFFICES CLOSED	30  9:00 am Hanging of the Greens 5:30 pm Worship

Salem Lutheran Church Council Meeting Minutes

Monday October 14, 2019 – 5:30 pm

President Brad Evenson called the meeting to order at 5:30pm. Members present: Marci Adeogun, Delane Behr, Shannon Bruhns, Brad Evenson, Sondra Nelson, Stephanie Steffens, Mike Swenson, Pastor Melinda McCluskey and Cindy Haugsdal

Absent: Pastor Joel Guttormson (vacation), Willie Skellenger, Ashley Hoffman
Devotions and Prayers: Pastor Melinda opened with a devotion and prayer.

Secretary's Report: A motion was made by Mike and seconded by Stephanie to accept the minutes of the previous meeting as written and distributed with the agenda. All approved.

Communication and Correspondence: none

Treasurer's Report: Mike provided a written report

Total income for the month \$ 23,084.54

Expenditures \$ 26,739.71

Checking account balance \$ 22,778.82

Heating Project balance \$ 18,460.23

Financial Secretary's report: Sondra provided a written report

2019 YTD total offerings (10/1/2019) - \$199,595

2018 YTD total offerings (10/1/2018) - \$205,151

A motion was made by Cindy, seconded by Delane to accept the treasurer and financial secretary reports as written. All approved.

Board Reports

Board of Worship and Music: Shannon provided a written/verbal report. Altar Guild reported that they are looking to replace members that have recently resigned. Board of M/W offered assistance as needed. Discussion continues on reducing the number of services offered at Salem and what this would mean for the congregation. There is a need for a contingency plan for technical support at both Sunday services. Confirmation students/parents are

participating at the 10:30 service as acolytes/ushers.

Board of Life & Growth / Board of Stewardship and Social Ministry: No report/ Willie is on vacation.

Board of Property and Management: Delane provided a verbal report. The heating system installation continues. Johnson Heating/plumbing will meet with Ron Langfald, Delane and possibly Dan Kirschbaum on Wednesday, 10/16/2019. Council recommended that they discuss a maintenance contract. The condition of the bell tower is a continuing concern. Al Sterrenberg is looking into repair estimates. LM Pump has agreed to do snow removal this winter.

Board of Youth: Marci provided a verbal report. Feed my Starving Children event is 10/24-10/26; Fall Festival is scheduled 10/27/2019 – looking for volunteers to provide soup, bars and host Trunk or Treat (decorate trunk of car); Ice skating event scheduled for 11/24/2019 at the North Iowa Ice arena.

Pastor Reports – Complete Pastor reports are available for review in the church office.

Lead Pastor's Report: Pastor Joel shared a written report which included Pastoral acts in September and accounting for vacation and continuing education days/Sundays used and planned. Pastor Joel is on vacation. The written report included plan to start Fourth Sunday Forum on October 27, 2019 at the coffee hour between services. He will be on vacation, but recommended discussion about the outcome of consecration Sunday and what that means as we prepare to vote on budget/mission plan for 2020 as well as the congregational vote scheduled for November 24, 2019 at 9:30 am. He noted poor attendance at the Theater and Theology event last month, members are requesting Adult forums but do not attend what has been organized. He is working on a single document with announcements that would be distributed at all 3 services and available electronically, separate from the bulletin; this is in the preliminary stages. Pastor Joel also reported on the progress of the Feed my Starving Children living Waters packing event, scheduled on October 24-26.

Associate Pastor's Report: Pastor Melinda submitted a written/verbal report which included Pastoral acts in September and accounting for vacation and continuing education days/Sundays used and planned. Confirmation is going

well; attended the Lock-In 10/11/2019 in Cedar Falls; 11/1/2019 Trip to visit Waverly/Wartburg; 11/6/2019 Canned food drive; 10 students are currently attending the 3rd grade bible classes.

Communication Director: No report

A motion was made by Sondra seconded by Shannon to accept all board/ Pastor reports as presented. All approved.

Old Business:

A. Stewardship Statistical Report for Consecration Sunday – 10/6/2019:

- * A total of 81 units completed Estimate of Giving Cards;
- * 52 of these giving units increased their financial commitment above the last year's amount;
- * 81 giving units present to fill out Estimate of Giving Cards on 10/6/2019 committed a total of \$3,390.30 weekly.

Projected Annual giving of \$176,295.60;

* Based on last year's giving records, we can expect to receive \$91,768.25 during the coming year from members who have consistent giving patterns during the past twelve months but were not present on Consecration Sunday;

* Based on the average total of loose offerings during the past three years, we can expect to receive \$9,061.48 during the coming year from loose offerings;

* Church income from non-donor sources such as interest, rentals and fees \$1,184.88;

* Estimated Total income for 2020 is \$278,310;

* Total income for our general operating budget during the last 12 months was \$270,714;

* In 2020, we can expect our operating budget income to increase by \$7,596;

* This is a 3% increase in total giving above last year.

B. Good Samaritan Committee – Met in late September. Pastor Norris is the community liaison. Looking for new membership as 2 members have recently resigned. This committee will report as needed in the future.

New Business:

A. Visitor Comments/Questions – none

B. 2020 Council/Board member changes – please consider and report council/board membership that will be ending in 2019 and positions that will need to be filled in 2020.

Transfer: Holly (Lawson) Reuter, Victoria & Alexis to Nazareth Evangelical Lutheran Church, Cedar Falls, IA

A motion was made by Mike, seconded Delane to approve the transfer. All approved.

Motion to adjourn made by Delane, seconded by Stephanie. All Approved.

Our next regular meeting will be Monday, November 11, 2019 at 5:30 pm.

We closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully Submitted, Cindy Haugsdal

SUNDAY FUNDAY– Ice Skating Edition!

Sunday, November 24th at 2:00-4:00pm

North Iowa Ice Arena, Mason City

Join us for an afternoon of ice skating! We will have a sign up sheet located at the church...as the ice arena would like an estimated number of skaters.

Everyone is welcome...bring a friend!

We will also have some snacks in the mezzanine for non-skaters or those taking a break.

Cost is \$4 entry + \$3 skate rental = total \$7

Hope you and your family and friends can join us!

SALEM RECORDS– OCTOBER

Memorials:

Lynn Tweed– cemetery \$20

Baptism:

Daniel Allen Swanson

Wedding:

Jocelyn Dahle and Chaden Riles

Brooke Hagen and Nicholas Rice

Transfers:

Holly (Lawson) Reuter,
Victoria and Alexis

Salem Women of the ELCA

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Altar Guild

November 5th at 5:30pm
Fellowship Hall

Altar Guild for July

Joan Kloster
JoAnn Villa

WELCA Meeting

Thursday, November 21st
at 2pm
Hostess: Grace Circle
Program: Martha Circle

Communion Schedule

Sundays, November 3rd and 17th
(8:30)
Sundays, November 3rd, 10th,
17th and 24th (10:30)
Saturdays, November 2nd, 16th
and 30th

Mills Harbour & LMCC

Wednesday, November 27th

Birthdays: Sarah Circle

Program: Martha Circle

November Worship Schedule

Saturdays:

Casual worship at 5:30 pm in the lounge

Sundays:

Traditional service at 8:30am in the sanctuary
Coffee fellowship at 9:30am in the fellowship hall
Contemporary service at 10:30 in the sanctuary

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